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As Attorney General, it is my job to ensure that all Illinois residents, including people with disabilities, receive equal protection under the law. I am committed to working on behalf of people with disabilities to provide them with complete accessibility.

My office's Disability Rights Bureau employs a full-time staff that strives to make schools, the workplace, and all public facilities open and available to everyone.

Questions and complaints about accessible parking represent the largest category of inquiries to the Bureau. I hope that this brochure provides you with a clear understanding of the accessible parking laws.

If you have a question, see an improperly marked accessible parking space or find a facility without any accessible parking spaces, please contact the Disability Rights Bureau.


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**ACCESSIBLE
PARKING**
FOR PEOPLE WITH
DISABILITIES

A GUIDE TO YOUR
RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW



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Accessible Parking: Know the Rules

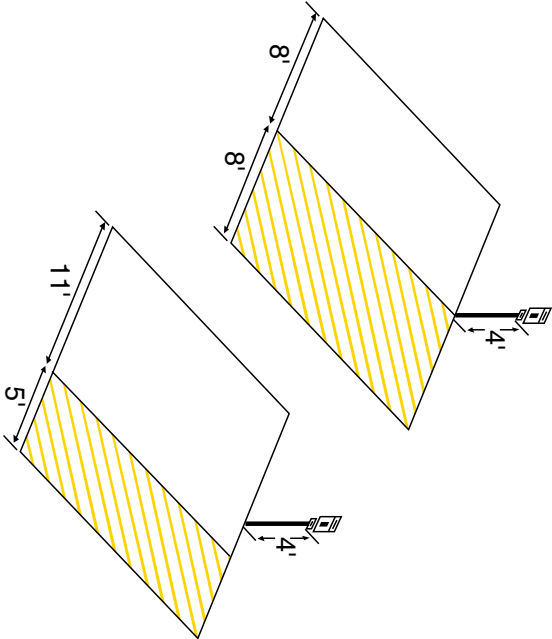
Any facility offering parking for employees or visitors must provide accessible parking for people with disabilities. An accessible parking space consists of a vehicle space and a striped access aisle. The entire space must be kept clear of obstructions at all times, including ice, snow, shopping cart corrals, trash cans, seasonal garden displays and bicycle racks.



Above: Example of an accessible parking space that complies with Illinois law.

LOCATION

Accessible parking must be placed on level pavement on the shortest accessible route to an accessible entrance. The accessible route, which may include a curb ramp or curb cut, must be installed as close as possible to the accessible entrance it serves. Additionally, a curb ramp must never be built into the diagonally-striped access aisle of an accessible parking space.



Above: Illustration of two examples of legal accessible parking spaces.

SIZE AND MARKINGS

Each accessible parking space, except on-street spaces, shall be 16 feet wide, with either an eight-foot or five-foot wide diagonally striped access aisle. The access aisle can be located on either side of the vehicle portion of the accessible space. High-quality yellow paint, manufactured especially for pavement striping, must be used. Adjacent accessible parking spaces cannot share a common access aisle.

SIGNS

A U.S. Department of Transportation R7-8 (Reserved Parking) and a R7-1101 (\$100 fine) sign must be permanently mounted in the center of the 16-foot wide accessible parking space. The signs can be no more than five feet from the front of the parking space, and the bottom of the R7-1101 fine sign must be at least four feet from the pavement. (A municipality may impose a fine up to \$200.)

SPACE REQUIREMENTS

To comply with Illinois law, a minimum number of accessible parking spaces must be provided:

Total Off Street Parking Spaces Provided	Number of Accessible Parking Spaces Required
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
151 to 200	6
201 to 300	7
301 to 400	8
401 to 500	9
501 to 1,000	2% of total
over 1,000	20 plus 1 for each 100 over 1,000

Medical facilities specializing in treatment of persons with mobility impairments 20% of total
Outpatient med. facilities .. 10% of total

If you see an improperly marked accessible parking space, or facilities with no such spaces, you can contact the Disability Rights Bureau with your complaint.